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June 28, 2011

Dana E. Christian, Acting Director Licensing Issuance Division NY State Liquor Authority 317 Lenox Avenue New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 1. Brio Bar Corp. d/b/a Bahr Che, 26 Astor Place NYC 10003

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

**Whereas**, this application is for the alteration of a Beer and Wine license to add 6 tables and 12 chairs to their outside space that is within the property line in a mixed-use building on Astor Place between Lafayette and Broadway (block #544 / lot # 7502); and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation for the exterior seating is Sunday through Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and that all tables and chairs will be brought in by 10:00 p.m.; and,

Whereas, there was no community opposition but a petition with 32 signatures in support of this application was presented; and,

Whereas, the applicant has agreed to the following stipulations for the outside seating:

- 1. Hours of operation are Sunday through Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- 2. There will be no music outside.
- 3. Service to the outside area will occur only through areas within the applicant's direct leased premise, which was indicated to be a door that leads directly to the outdoor area from the premise and not the rear service door.

**Whereas**, the applicant will provide update plans of interior and exterior changes which will be necessary to accommodate access to the outside seating through the doorway which leads from the premise directly to the outdoor area; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that CB#2, Man. recommends **denial** of this alteration to the Beer and Wine license for **Brio Bar Corp. d/b/a Bahr Che, 26 Astor Place NYC 10003 unless** all stipulations agreed to in the 5th Whereas clause in this resolution are incorporated into the "Method of Operation".



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#### 2. CGP Enterprises, Inc., 41 E. 11th St, aka 95 University Pl., NYC 10003

Whereas, the applicant re-appeared before the committee; and,

Whereas, this is an application for a full service restaurant specializing in Greek food; and,

**Whereas**, this application is for a new Beer and Wine license in a mixed-use building (block #563 and lot #1) on University Place between 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Street for a 3,700 s.f. restaurant with 17 tables and 50 seats, 1 bar with 7 seats, and a maximum legal capacity of 60 persons; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation are from Sunday from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. and Friday and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.; there is no sidewalk café or backyard garden and music will be background only; and,

Whereas, the applicant had originally submitted an application for a full on-premise license in the preceding month, but had withdrawn that application to meet with local community members and the local neighborhood association; and,

Whereas, the applicant met with the neighborhood associations and other community members and created the following stipulations that are to be included by CB#2, Man.:

#### **STIPULATIONS**

<u>Hours of operation:</u> On each Sunday through Thursday night, the Operator shall close no later than 12:00 Midnight. On each Friday and Saturday night, (more correctly referred to as Saturday and Sunday morning) the Operator shall close no later than 1:00AM.

<u>Soundproofing:</u> The Operator shall use its best efforts to ensure that noise does not emanate from the Establishment in any direction and meets or exceeds New York City noise code.

<u>Front door:</u> The Operator shall construct a double door vestibule that prevents noise from escaping onto the sidewalk. The Operator shall cause the doors to remain in a closed position. The Operator shall not operate any outdoor speakers or sound amplification and shall not deliberately direct any sound outside of the Establishment.

Upon request, the Operator shall hang a sign outside the establishment, which shall be legible from 20 feet away, instructing patrons to keep the noise down and to respect the neighbors.

<u>Windows:</u> The Operator shall use its best efforts to ensure that noise does not emanate from the windows. The Operator shall not permit the windows to be left in an open position. If any windows are to be replaced the Operator shall replace said windows with non- operable windows.

<u>Security:</u> The Operator shall cause a general manager to be present at the Establishment during all hours of operation.

<u>Music</u>: The Operator shall not permit DJs or live music in the Establishment. Only background music at a reasonable level shall be permitted.

<u>Promoters:</u> The Operator shall not use outside promoters or allow promoted third party events at the Establishment.

Dancing: The Operator shall not permit dancing in the Establishment.

<u>Sanitation:</u> The Operator shall not store garbage or garbage dumpsters outside of the Establishment. The Operator shall construct a refrigerated room to store the garbage and will store all garbage in said refrigerated room.

<u>Outdoor Seating:</u> The Operator will not establish any outdoor seating or seek to obtain permission for any outdoor seating including but not limited to any unenclosed sidewalk cafe permit.

<u>Lighting:</u> The Operator shall not install lighting that could disturb residents living around the Establishment. This includes but is not limited to neon, flashing lights, flood up-lighting, etc.

<u>Steering:</u> The Operator shall not attempt to steer the public from the sidewalk into the Establishment. The Operator shall not distribute any fliers on the sidewalk or street.

<u>Drink Specials:</u> The Operator shall not offer any discounted drinks at any time. All drinks will always be sold at full price.

Kitchen: The Operator shall cause the kitchen to stay open serving a full menu until closing.

<u>Meetings</u>: Upon request, the Operator shall make available the general manager to attend meetings with representatives of the community.

Basement: The Establishment's basement shall not be used to seat or serve patrons.

Whereas, the applicant submitted a petition with 361 signatures in support of the new restaurant; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that CB#2, Man. recommends **denial** of the new Beer and Wine license for <u>CGP Enterprises</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, <u>41 E. 11th St</u>, <u>aka 95 University Pl.</u>, <u>NYC 10003</u> <u>unless</u> all stipulations agreed to in the 5th Whereas clause in this resolution are incorporated into the "Method of Operation".



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At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 3. B & Y Restaurant Group, LLC 323 West Broadway, NYC 10012

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

Whereas, this is an application for a full service Kosher restaurant; and,

**Whereas**, this application is for a new Full On Premise license, in a mixed use building (block 228 / lot 11) on West Broadway between Canal and Grand Street, for a total of 3,139 s.f. with 60 tables and 134 seats and 1 bar with 5 seats, there will be no sidewalk café and no back yard garden, and a maximum legal capacity of 139 persons inside; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation are Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. and Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. and Saturday from Sundown to 1:30 a.m.; there will be no sidewalk café and no backyard garden; music will be quiet background only; and,

Whereas, this location falls under the legal settlement agreement between the Wooster & Grand, Inc. and the New York State Liquor Authority, New York County Index No. 106061/96 which states that any establishment within 500 feet from 72 Grand Street that intends to use the premises as a late night drinking establishment or bar must not be open any later than 12:30 a.m. on the weekdays and 1:30 a.m. on the weekends; and,

Whereas, there were 2 community speakers who came in support of this application; and,

Whereas, the applicants have agreed to the following stipulations:

- 1. Hours of Operation are Sunday through Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 a.m. and Friday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 a.m. and Saturday from Sundown to 1:30 a.m.
- 2. No public use of the rooftop.
- 3. All windows and doors will be closed by 10:00 p.m.
- 4. Venting on rooftop will be corrected if any community complaints.
- 5. To manage all crowd control outside premises.
- 6. Any change in ownership or principals or corporation must require a review before the CB#2, Man.'s SLA committee.
- 7. To obtain all proper certificates, including but not limited to a new Certificate of Occupancy and a Public Assembly permit for the proposed use.

Whereas, there are 22 licensed establishments within 500 feet of the location; and,

Whereas, the "Kosher" aspect of the application is a unique addition to the community; and,

Whereas, CB#2, Man. request that the SLA conduct a 500 ft. rule hearing; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of the On Premise license for <u>B & Y Restaurant Group</u>, <u>LLC 323 West Broadway</u>, <u>NYC 10012</u>; <u>unless</u> all stipulations agreed to in this resolution in the 7th Whereas clause are incorporated into the "Method of Operation".



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At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 4. GMT New York, LLC d/b/a GMT, 142 Bleecker St., a/k/a 510 LaGuardia PL., NYC 10012

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

**Whereas**, this is an application to alter the current Full OP license to include the new sidewalk cafe, in front of the restaurant that is in a mixed use building (block 525 / lot 7504) on the corner of Bleecker Street and LaGuardia Place which will include 24 tables and 54 seats; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation for the sidewalk café are Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ad Friday and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.; and,

Whereas, this applicant has agreed to the following stipulations:

- 1. The sidewalk café hours of operation will be Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Monday through Thursday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. ad Friday and Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m.
- 2. All doors and windows will be closed by 11:00 p.m.
- 3. There will be no sidewalk café of the Bleecker Street sidewalk.

Whereas, applicant previously submitted this application to CB2 Manhattan who would not hear this application until the applicant opened their Kitchen and was serving food, which did not happen until several months after opening, but was initially a major factor for CB2 approving the original application for an On-Premise License; and,

Whereas, the applicant is now operating their kitchen and serving food; and,

**Whereas**, there were 4 community members in attendance who supported this application and 2 letters are attached that are also in support; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends denial to the alteration to include the sidewalk café under the Full OP license for <u>GMT New York</u>, <u>LLC d/b/a GMT</u>, <u>142 Bleecker St.</u>, <u>a/k/a 510 LaGuardia PL.</u>, <u>NYC 10012 unless</u> all the stipulations agreed to in this resolution in the 4th Whereas clause are incorporated into the "Method of Operation".



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At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 5. New Restart, Inc. d/b/a Mambo Italiano, 145-147 Mullbery St., NYC 10013

**Whereas**, the applicant re-appeared before the committee after last appearing in September 2010 for a different configuration for the proposed additional space for which CB2 recommended that the SLA deny the application; and,

Whereas, in July 2009, CB#2, Man. recommended approval for a On Premise license in a mixed use building on Mulberry between Grand and Hester streets for a 5,000 s.f. Italian restaurant with 70 table seats, 1 bar with 18 seats, and a maximum legal capacity of 88 persons; and the applicant stated the hours of operation are 12:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m. Sunday – Thursday and 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. Friday and Saturday; there will be a sidewalk café application but no backyard garden; music is background only; and the applicant has agreed to obtain a Public Assembly permit prior to opening the establishment; and,

Whereas, this application is for the alteration of the currently existing On Premise license, for an Italian restaurant in a mixed-use building on Mulberry Street between Hester and Grand Street (block 236 / lot 7502) to expand seating into the basement, which has never been licensed before, to include 43 tables and 158 chairs and a service bar and add an additional 40 seats on the first floor (for a total of 34 tables and 124 table seats and 1 bar with 10 seats on the first floor and 158 seats in the basement creating a grand total of 292 seats)

Whereas, the applicant stated that the hours of operation would increase to Sunday –Thursday from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. and Friday – Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.; music will be quiet background only; and,

Whereas, the applicant appeared before this committee before with a request to have a cabaret license which was denied; and,

Whereas, the basement space at this location has never licensed before and the request will essentially quadruple the current size of this operation, the equivalent of adding 3 more new establishments in this area which typically have occupancies of 74 or less and are already having difficulty operating businesses in this community as outline in recent press articles; and,

Whereas, a member of the community pointed out that the large seating plan would likely encourage marketing to large groups who often arrive by tour buses that idle illegally throughout the neighborhood and one of the principals of this location was quoted in the NY Post stating that "We get visits mostly from millions of tourists, but the real people who live in Manhattan don't come here anymore" (Olshan, Jeremy, "Eataly pinches Little Italy", The New York Post, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011); and,

Whereas, the applicant is unwilling to close doors and windows earlier than the closing hours of the restaurant; and,

Whereas, the CB#2, Man. SLA Licensing Committee is unanimously against the applicant's unwillingness to close windows and doors at a reasonable time such as 9 or 10 p.m. and requests the SLA consider this unreasonable response from the applicant in making it's decision and further CB2 is on record as being unanimously against the operating outside of reasonable hours restaurants with French doors and windows being open until late hours without consideration but due to noise issues throughout this particular district and the unique claim in this situation that "everyone else does it", the committee realizes that its decision cannot rest solely on this issue and realizes that Little Italy does not follow the same rules as other neighborhoods and that this application would be recommend as DENIED if it were in any other location; and,

Whereas, there is still no evidence that the applicant has applied for or received a Place of Assembly permit that is required for the current approved operation and which the applicant stipulated in July 2009 that they would obtain prior to opening the establishment; and,

Whereas, there are at least 20 licensed OP establishments within 500 feet of the proposed expansion and many beer and wine licenses;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends the denial of the alteration to the On Premise license for New Restart, Inc. d/b/a Mambo Italiano, 145-147 Mullbery St., NYC 10013.



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At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 6. Jobee Restaurant, 3 Howard St., NYC

Whereas, the applicant re-appeared before the committee to present an alteration to their existing license, after appearing last month in May regarding their renewal application, which CB2 recommend that the SLA deny for operating outside their method of operation; and,

**Whereas**, this application is to request a change in the method of operation including hours of operation and change in seating plan, in a mixed use building (block 208 / lot 13) on Howard Street between Centre Street and Lafayette Street; and

**Whereas**, the applicant stated they would like the new hours of operation to be Sunday through Tuesday from 12:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Wednesday through Saturday from 12:00 p.m. (noon) to 2:00 a.m. with Live D.J.s; and,

**Whereas,** the applicant presented a seating plan with 13 tables and 58 seats and 1 bar with 10 seats for a total of 68 seats with a total occupancy of 74; and,

Whereas, the applicant will be a restaurant in the evening but on Wednesday through Saturday they will be offering promoted events and will not operate as a restaurant but instead as a venue; and

Whereas, pictures of events at the location and descriptions online make it difficult to understand how if the seats are being utilized during special events, the premise would be able to stay under their maximum occupancy as the total number of seats is 6 less than the maximum occupancy of 74; and,

**Whereas**, at the May 2011 CB#2, Man. SLA Committee meeting, in addition to the details outline in the Resolution dated May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 in regards to this applicants application to renew their license for which they were asked to appear in front of CB#2, Man. the applicant admitted to operating outside of their established method of operation of a Chinese Restaurant, and operating outside their stated hours, and furthermore stated that they would not host anymore promoted dance parties/special events/late night hours until they applied to the SLA for a change in their method of operation; and,

**Whereas,** on the evening of Saturday May 28<sup>th</sup>, after the above mentioned meeting and resolution and prior to submitting an alteration application to the SLA, it was reported by online blogs that the regularly scheduled "Madame Wong's" dance party that is hosted at this location was shut down by the police, and subsequent inquiry to the 5<sup>th</sup> Precinct confirmed by Special Operations Lt. Bailey via P.O. Wai Yee Keck, that in fact the location was shut down by the NYPD for operating without a cabaret license (it is possible that their were other citations); and,

Whereas, an attorney who stated that he represented Center Plaza LLC, the owner of the building, said that the they had concern regarding alterations to this license and the disruption the changes would make for them and other tenants and after hours entertainment and stated that the applicant had filed for bankruptcy protection and there was concern in regards to the change in the method of operation, but that they were not aware of the terms of the lease because it was a sublease; and,

**Whereas,** in addition to the above information, the applicant appears to have made material misrepresentations directly to CB#2, Man. when they stated that they would no longer operate outside of their current method of operation, until properly filing for changes, please also refer to CB#2, Man.'s resolution dated May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 regarding this applicants renewal application; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that CB#2, Man. recommends **denial** for the alteration of the On Premise license for **Jobee Restaurant**, **3 Howard St.**, **NYC**.



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At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 7. La Esquina, 106 Kenmare aka 199 Lafayette Street

Whereas, the applicant and their lawyers appeared before the committee; and,

Whereas, a waiver letter was sent to the SLA by CB2's district office in error; and,

**Whereas**, this application is for the renewal of a Full OP license in a mixed use building (block #482 and lot #7501) on Kenmare Street on the corner of Lafayette and Kenmare Street for a 3,967 s.f. restaurant with 41 tables and 169 seats 1 bar with 10 seats and a maximum legal capacity of 179 persons; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation are Saturday and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. and Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m.; there is a sidewalk café but no backyard garden, and music is background only; and,

Whereas, this applicant has had a history of problems both legally and with the community that date back to their inception; and,

**Whereas**, the community presented a complete list of violations dating back to 2005 from the D.O.B., E.C.B., D.O.H., S.L.A., and Fire Department (see attachment); and,

Whereas, this establishment is regarded as an anchor tenant in the area of Petrosino Square and is one of the longer running establishments; and,

Whereas, even though the applicant has taken steps to improve certain conditions, the applicant seems to have no regard for the concerns of their residential neighbors and only responds when the situation ameliorates a problem for them; and,

Whereas, many residential neighbors feel intimidated by the applicant and when the committee requested that the applicant establish posted meetings to work out problems with the community, the residents said they would not go; and,

Whereas, the applicant was supposed to be posting security outside to manage the rowdy clientele in the sidewalk café but residents report that there has not been any security outside until 1 week before this hearing and that the security is ineffective in managing the crowds; and,

Whereas, one of the main issues is that the applicant is unable to address the long running complaint of noise on the sidewalk in front of their establishment involving their customers, which often occur as short flashpoints in the front of their establishment lasting for short periods many times over the course of an evening and that they have no regard for even though they happen at late hours and are well within the role of the applicant to address and cause great aggravation and affect the quality of life of residents in surrounding residential buildings to a significant degree; and,

Whereas, it seems that the applicant is unwilling to maintain control over the area surrounding the establishment and the impact of quality of life issues that emanate from their establishment

Whereas, there is limited nightlife and quality of life enforcement in this area; and,

Whereas, even though many of the violations have been corrected, the sheer cumulative number of citations and community complaints have resulted in a very large drain on a variety of resources that could be better served elsewhere; and,

Whereas, the applicant operates their sidewalk café under reduced hours and with conditions under special agreement with the New York City Council as a result of the aforementioned issues; and,

Whereas, CB#2, Man. would like to the D.O.B to conduct a thorough review of the premise and permits and job filings and submit its findings to both CB#2, Man. and the SLA and CB#2, Man. would like the S.L.A. to verify all the violations the establishment has received from various agencies and confirm that corrections were actually made; and

Whereas, CB#2, Man. is not in a position to recommend the renewal of the liquor license for La Esquina for the reasons outlined above and specifically because the establishment is not able to or is unwilling to address correctable long running issues;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of the renewal of the Full OP license for La Esquina, 106 Kenmare aka 199 Lafayette Street.



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# THE FOLLOWING ARE RESOLUTIONS FOR ALL APPLICANTS THAT WERE LAID OVER, WITHDRAWN, OR DID NOT APPEAR BEFORE THEIR REQESTED HEARING:

#### 8. Il Buco Alimentaria/Vineria 53 Great Jones St. NYC

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license <u>II Buco Alimentaria/Vineria 53 Great Jones St. NYC</u> until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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#### 9. TNTE LLC, 265 Elizabeth St., NYC 10012

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends denial of any proposed liquor license to TNTE LLC, 265 Elizabeth St., NYC 10012 and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 10. Mother's Ruin, LLC 18 Spring St., NYC 10013

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB#2, Man. SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends denial of any proposed liquor license to Mother's Ruin, LLC 18 Spring St., NYC 10013 and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 11. Toby's Public House II, LLC d/b/a Toby's Public House II, 86 Kenmare St., NYC 10012

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends denial of any proposed liquor license to <u>Toby's Public House II, LLC d/b/a Toby's Public House II, 86 Kenmare St., NYC 10012</u> and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 12. Sogno Restaurant Corp. d/b/a The City Tavern, 22 E. 13th St., NYC 10003

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license to Sogno Restaurant Corp. d/b/a The City Tavern, 22 E. 13th St., NYC 10003 until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 13. Altamarea Group LLC, d/b/a Osteria Marini, 218 Lafayette St., NYC 10013

**Whereas**, the applicant requested to withdraw from consideration of the application until they have corrected some outstanding violations but will return to the CB#2, Man. SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license to <u>Altamarea Group LLC</u>, <u>d/b/a Osteria Marini</u>, <u>218 Lafayette St.</u>, <u>NYC 10013</u>until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 14. Akram Restaurant Management Inc., d/b/a Da Gennaro, 129 Mulberry St., NYC 10012

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license to Akram Restaurant Management, Inc., d/b/a Da Gennaro, 129 Mulberry St., NYC 10012 until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 1. Barrio 47, LLC d/b/a Barrio 47, 47 8th Ave., NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

Whereas, this application is for the transfer of ownership of a licensed premise with an upgrade to a Full OP license for a full service Mediterranean style restaurant only in a mixed-use building on 8th Avenue between Horatio and Jane Street (block #626 / lot # 41) with one stand-up bar with 13 seats, there are no service bars, 15 interior tables with 32 seats, and a total occupancy of 74 or less, the bar will be moved from it's current location and there are additional layout changes as indicated in the floor plan; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation are Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. and Monday through Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., this does not include a future sidewalk café and there will be no backyard garden; and,

Whereas, there was no community opposition regarding this application; and,

Whereas, the applicant has agreed to the following stipulations:

- 1. Hours of operation are Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. and Monday through Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m.
- 2. The kitchen will stay open until closing.
- 3. This will remain a full service restaurant only.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of this alteration to the Beer and Wine license for **Barrio 47, LLC d/b/a Barrio 47, 47 8th Ave., NYC 10014** unless all stipulations agreed to in the 5th Whereas clause in this resolution are incorporated into the "Method of Operation".



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 2. Amagansett Hospitality Group, LLC d/b/a Tremont, 300 W. 4th Street aka 51 Bank St., NYC

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

Whereas, this is an application for a full service restaurant only with a Mediterranean influence; and,

**Whereas**, this application is for the upgrade from a Beer and Wine license to a Full OP license in a mixed use building (block #624 and lot #53) on the corner of West 4th Street and Bank Street for an 1,496 s.f. restaurant (910 s.f. 1<sup>st</sup> floor, 586 s.f. cellar) with 13 tables and 36 seats on the first floor, 1 bar with 10 seats on the first floor, and a maximum legal capacity of 46 persons; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation are Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 a.m., there is no sidewalk café at this time and no backyard garden, music will be background only; and,

**Whereas,** there was no community opposition for this application but there was 1 community member who appeared in support of the application; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant has agreed to the following stipulations:

- 1. Hours of operation are Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.
- 2. All windows and doors to be closed by 10:00 p.m.
- 3. The West 4<sup>th</sup> St. entrance will be the primary means of ingress and egress.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of the upgrade to a full onpremise license for <u>Amagansett Hospitality Group</u>, <u>LLC d/b/a Tremont</u>, <u>300 W. 4th Street aka 51 Bank St., NYC</u> unless all stipulations agreed to in the 6th Whereas clause in this resolution are incorporated into the "Method of Operation".



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 3. SoHo House New York, d/b/a SoHo House, 29-35 9th Ave. So., NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

Whereas, this is an application is for the alteration of 3 guest suites on floors 3, 4 and 5 to be subdivided into 3 separate guest rooms each thereby adding 6 new guest rooms to the hotel premise in total; and,

**Whereas**, this application for the alteration for the Full On Premise license, in a commercial building (block 646 / lot 47) on 9th Avenue between 13th and 14th Streets to include the 6 new guest rooms; and

Whereas, there was no opposition by any community members; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends the approval to the alteration of the On Premise license for SoHo House New York, d/b/a SoHo House, 29-35 9th Ave. So., NYC 10014.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 4. SoHo House New York, d/b/a SoHo House, 29-35 9th Ave. So., NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

**Whereas,** this application is to include alterations to the interior space of the hotel as follows: the 6th floor stand-up bar will be reconfigured and moved, finishes and furniture improvements to the dining area, a fireplace will be added, and a back bar/service bar will be relocated within the room, and the kitchen will be upgraded; and,

**Whereas**, this is an application to alter the current Full OP license to include the interior changes, in a commercial building (block 646 / lot 47) on 9th Avenue between 13th and 14th Streets; and,

Whereas, there was no opposition by any community members; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends the approval to the alteration of the On Premise license for SoHo House New York, d/b/a SoHo House, 29-35 9th Ave. So., NYC 10014.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 5. 803 Kava LLC, d/b/a Kava Cafe, 803 Washington St., NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

Whereas, this application is for the alteration of the currently existing Beer and Wine license, for a coffee café/restaurant in a mixed-use building located at 803 Washington Street between Gansevoort and Horatio Street (block 643 / lot 38) to increase the currently licensed establishment to include Beer and Wine service to the backyard garden with an icrease in seating of 40 seats in the backyard garden in addition to the existing 12 seats at 3 counters inside; and,

**Whereas**, this applicant is currently serving guests in the backyard from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. food and non alcoholic beverages with a capacity of 26 seats; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant proposes that the hours of operation for the backyard garden be Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Monday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and,

**Whereas**, there is one letter in support of this application by the Meet Packing District Improvement Association and a petition with 27 signatures was submitted, also in support; and,

Whereas, there were 28 emails sent to CB#2, Man. district office in opposition of this application; and,

Whereas, 5 community members attended the hearing in opposition of this application; and,

**Whereas**, the residents presented pictures showing that this backyard dining is next to 10 contiguous private backyard gardens separated only by wooden fences and are concerned about the noise that would disrupt this unique area of private homes; and,

**Whereas,** the applicant stated that at least 8 residential units over look the immediate space from units located directly above the boundary lines of the proposed backyard garden in addition to the many private residences that abut the rear yard donut created in the interior of the block bounded by Washington St, Gansevoort Street, Greenwich St and Horatio St.; and,

Whereas, CB#2, Man. feels this issue of backyard garden spaces being used for a restaurant's clientele resonates concern within all communities in the district; and,

Whereas, while the applicant did provide a Letter of No Objection dated April 8, 2011 from the NYC Department of Buildings addressed to the SLA, the Letter of No Objection only addresses the proposed use on the first floor of the building at the applicants premise at 803 Washington St. and does not mention any use of the rear yard. CB#2, Man. does not believe that the Letter of No Objection is sufficient to demonstrate that the outdoor use is permissible in the proposed configuration, if at all. Furthermore, the proposed backyard space covers the rear yard space not only of the applicants premise at 803 Washington St (Building Identification Number 1078363) but also the year yard of the building next door 805 Washington St (Building Identification Number 1078367) which can be seen by virtue of the locations of doors on the applicants diagram of the rear yard (door to 803 Washington and door to 805 Washington). CB#2, Man. is asking NYC DOB for clarification on this matter and will send additional information to the SLA when received; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends the denial of the alteration to the Beer and Wine license for 803 Kava LLC, d/b/a Kava Cafe, 803 Washington St., NYC 10014,; and

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in any case, CB#2, Man. requests that the SLA make no final determination to approve this alteration until further clarification from the New York City Department of Buildings is received.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 6. West Village Pizza Champions, Inc. d/b/a 900 Degrees, 29 7th Avenue South, NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

Whereas, this application is for the alteration of the currently existing Full OP license, for an Italian Pizza restaurant in a mixed-use building on 7th Avenue South between Bedford and Morton Street (block 586 / lot 45) to include liquor service to the sidewalk café which has 19 tables and 38 seats; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant has agreed to the following stipulations in addition to the stipulations agreed to in November 2010 with CB#2, Man.:

1. All windows and doors are to be closed by 10:00 p.m. **Whereas**, there was no community opposition regarding this application; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of the alteration to the Full OP license for West Village Pizza Champions, Inc. d/b/a 900 Degrees, 29 7th Avenue South, NYC 10014 unless all stipulations agreed to in the 3rd Whereas clause in this resolution are incorporated into the "Method of Operation".



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

# 7. Mappamondo, LLC, d/b/a Mappamondo, 11 Abingdon Square, NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

**Whereas**, this application is for the upgrade from a Beer and Wine license to a Full OP license in a mixed use building on Abingdon Square between Bleecker and West 12th Street for a 800 s.f. restaurant with 15 tables and 35 seats 1 bar with 5 seats and a maximum legal capacity of 40 persons; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation are Sunday through Saturday from 12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m., there is no sidewalk café and no backyard garden, music is background only; and,

Whereas, this location has previously been licensed for a full OP license; and,

Whereas, there are no changes to the Method of Operation; and,

Whereas, the was no community opposition to this application;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of the upgrade from a Beer and Wine license to a Full OP license for <u>Mappamondo</u>, <u>LLC</u>, <u>d/b/a Mappamondo</u>, <u>11</u> <u>Abingdon Square</u>, <u>NYC 10014</u>.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

# 8. Walkam Group Inc., d/b/a Gizzi's, 16 W. 8th St., NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

**Whereas**, this application is for the alteration to a Full OP license in a commercial building on 8th Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue for a 1,000 s.f. restaurant/coffee house with 35 tables seats 1 bar with 6 seats and a maximum legal capacity of 45 persons; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant stated the hours of operation are Sunday through Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m., there is no sidewalk café and no backyard garden, music is background and live only; and,

**Whereas**, the applicant would like to increase their live music performances from Thursday through Saturday from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. to now be 7 days a week with the same performance hours; and,

Whereas, the was no community opposition to this application; and,

Whereas, the applicant continues to abide by CB#2, Man.'s September 2010 resolution; and,

**Whereas**, the 8th Street Neighborhood Association was in support of this applicant and stated that they have been an outstanding addition to the community;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. recommends approval of the alteration of the Full OP license for Walkman Group Inc., d/b/a Gizzi's, 16 W. 8th St., NYC 10014.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 9. Cherry Lane Inc., d/b/a The Randolph at Broome, 349 Broome St., NYC 10013

Whereas, the applicant appeared before the committee; and,

**Whereas**, this application is for the alteration of the currently existing Full OP license, for a bar/restaurant/coffee café in a commercial building on Broome Street between Bowery and Elizabeth Street (block 470 / lot 50) to include liquor service to the sidewalk café which has 7 tables and 16 seats; and,

Whereas, the applicant has agreed to the following stipulations:

- 1. The sidewalk café will be closed by 10:00 p.m. 7 days a week.
- 2. All tables and chairs will be moved into the store at closing.
- 3. All windows and doors will be closed by 10:00 p.m.
- 4. There will be no music outside.
- 5. Visible signs will be posted that read "Please respect our neighbors and keep noise levels to a minimum.
- 6. If there are any issues or complaints the owner will make his personal cell phone number available to the community.
- 7 If traffic issues arise the owner agrees to hire a NYC traffic consultant to remedy any issues.
- 8. A floor manager will be available at all times to manage any crowd control issues.
- 9. The applicant will maintain 8 ft of clearance on the sidewalk at all time.

Whereas, there was no community opposition regarding this application; and,

Whereas, the applicant submitted a petition with 117 signatures in support of this application; and,

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that CB#2, Man. recommends denial of the alteration to the Full OP license for <u>Cherry Lane Inc.</u>, <u>d/b/a The Randolph at Broome</u>, <u>349 Broome St.</u>, <u>NYC 10013</u> unless all stipulations agreed to in the 3rd Whereas clause in this resolution are incorporated into the "Method of Operation".



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

# THE FOLLOWING ARE RESOLUTIONS FOR ALL APPLICANTS THAT WERE LAID OVER, WITHDRAWN, OR DID NOT APPEAR BEFORE THEIR REQESTED HEARING:

#### 10. ADSAD, LLC, d/b/a Onegin, 391 6th Avenue, NYC 10014

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license for ADSAD, LLC, d/b/a Onegin, 391 6th Avenue, NYC 10014 until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 11. Gnosh, Inc. d/b/a Gnosh, 203 Spring Street, NYC 10012

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends denial of any proposed liquor license to Gnosh, Inc. d/b/a Gnosh, 203 Spring Street, NYC 10012 and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

# 12. <u>Franco American Restaurant Investment Group, Inc. d/b/a The Tea Set, 235 W. 12th St.,</u> NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant requested has been withdrawn by the lawyer,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends denial of any proposed liquor license to <u>Franco American Restaurant Investment Group, Inc. d/b/a The Tea Set, 235 W. 12th St., NYC 10014</u> and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 13. David Reuben of LLC to be formed, 199 Prince St., NYC 10012

**Whereas**, the applicant's lawyer requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB2, Manhattan strongly recommends denial of any proposed liquor license to <u>David Reuben of LLC to be formed, 199 Prince St., NYC 10012</u> and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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June 28, 2011

Dana E. Christian, Acting Director Licensing Issuance Division NY State Liquor Authority 317 Lenox Avenue New York, New York 10027

Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 14. San Marion at SoHo, d/b/a Pending, 66 Charlton St., NYC 10014

**Whereas**, the applicant requested a layover of consideration of the application to the next CB2 SLA Licensing Committee meeting; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license to <u>San Marion at SoHo, d/b/a Pending, 66 Charlton St., NYC 10014</u> until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 15. An Entity in which Fikret Uslu is a Principle, TBD, 46 Gansevoort St., NYC 10014

**Whereas**, the applicant failed to appear before the committee or request a layover of consideration of the application to the next hearing or withdrew their application from CB2; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license to An Entity in which Fikret Uslu is a Principle, TBD, 46 Gansevoort St., NYC 10014 until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

#### 16. T. Hospitality, Inc. d/b/a Sea, 835 Washington St., NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant failed to appear before the committee or request a layover of consideration of the application to the next hearing or withdrew their application from CB#2, Man.; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license to <u>T. Hospitality</u>, <u>Inc. d/b/a Sea, 835 Washington St.</u>, <u>NYC 10014</u> until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB#2, Man. should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

# 17. The Vagabond Café LLC, 7 Cornelia Street, NYC 10014

Whereas, the applicant failed to appear before the committee or request a layover of consideration of the application to the next hearing or withdrew their application from CB#2, Man.; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license to <u>The Vagabond Café LLC</u>, 7 Cornelia Street, NYC 10014 until the applicant has presented their application in front of the SLA Licensing Committee and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 18. Slane, 102 MacDougal Street NYC

**Whereas**, after being notified by CB2 of their placement on the agenda due to community complaints for the renewal of their liquor license, the applicant failed to appear before the committee or request a layover of consideration of the renewal application to the next hearing or withdraw their application from CB2; and,

Whereas, the principals of this location are also principals of other establishments in the neighborhood that have been the subject of community complaints regarding renewals and have recently appeared before CB2 regarding new applications for other locations and have been present at the relevant CB2 committee meetings for those meetings and furthermore are members of the local business/community association; and,

**Whereas**, this applicant has displayed a complete disregard for the community, in particular for their refusal to simply close their doors and windows and for allowing amplified music performances, particularly Sunday-Thursday, which by virtue of placement of their speakers send music directly into apartments surrounding the establishment resulting in what one member of the community described as a "live concert on the street"; and,

Whereas, 5 community members appeared at the hearing to complain of the fighting, blasting music, intense bass from music that vibrates the surrounding buildings, alcohol out on the streets in from of the establishment, noise that disrupts quality of life for residents above and across the street, lack of control of the unruly patrons on the sidewalk in front of the premise and complete disregard for neighbors who call the establishment directly to lodge complaints; and,

Whereas, video of the disruption from a resident across the street from this location and two letters against this establishment were submitted to the committee; and,

Whereas, the community members who appeared at the hearing stated that they had called the establishment directly on numerous occasions to notify the applicant directly on an ongoing basis of their complaints; and,

Whereas, all the neighbors who appeared expressed concern that not only were the above mentioned issues occurring on weekends, more importantly that they were occurring on a regular basis Sunday to Thursday with very loud amplified music to the extent that one neighbor across the street stated that because of this specific premise they could not sleep in their bedroom which had a window overlooking the establishment and had to sleep on the couch on their living room; and,

Whereas, CB#2, Man. feels that the principals of this licensed establishment, who are also principals of multiple licensed establishments in our community and who are members of community/business organizations such as the Bleecker Area Merchants and Residents Association (BAMRA) and who are fully aware of the SLA and Community Board process should appear at Community Board meetings when requested to directly address community concerns,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA <u>deny</u> the renewal of an on-premise license to <u>Slane</u>, 102 <u>MacDougal Street NYC</u>. Should the applicant continue to pursue a renewal of this license, CB#2, Man. requests that the SLA issue a temporary license until this issue is resolved and send the applicant back to CB#2, Man. so that they may appear in front of the CB2 SLA Licensing Committee and address the above mentioned community concerns directly in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard



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Dear Mr. Christian:

At its Full Board meeting on June 23, 2011, Community Board #2, Manhattan (CB#2, Man.) adopted the following resolution:

## 19. The Cubby Hole, 281 W. 12th Street, NYC

Whereas, the applicant failed to appear before the committee or request a layover of consideration of the application to the next hearing or withdrew their application from CB#2, Man.; and,

Whereas, this applicant has displayed a complete disregard for the community; and,

Whereas, 8 community members appeared at the hearing to express their deep and growing concern over the imminent renewal of the on-premise license for the Cubby Hole that has increasingly over the past several years seriously and negatively impacted the quality of life in the residential community in which it is located.

Whereas, members of the community explained that the premise had first been licensed around 1994 and operates as a bar with no food and is open 7 days a week until 4am. The neighbors indicated that for many years the Cubby Hole was a good neighbor but that the situation deteriorated rapidly in the past several years. "The bar has become a destination magnet, attracting a large and extremely boisterous and noisy crowd. It frequently overflows onto the sidewalk outside, such that the sidewalk has become a de facto extension of the bar. The noise begins to become unreasonable around 10:00 p.m. most nights, and it continues with drunken and extremely loud behavior through its 4:00 a.m. closing. The current situation is untenable, especially for a residential neighborhood." Additionally, evidence was presented in the form of pictures and statements that the location has also been a destination for "party buses" which drop off patrons and blast music from the buses while their patrons are in the premise; and,

Whereas, members of the community further stated "The Cubby Hole exacerbates the problem by regularly tying open the front doors, which makes the sidewalk and street an extension of the interior bar. Noise (including music) emanates from the bar (which in turn causes the people congregating outside to yell even louder). It is important to emphasize that the loud and drunken behavior is not isolated to weekends — it happens regularly most every night. The noise regularly interferes with the sleep of those in the neighborhood. The Cubby Hole can control this, but up to this point it has not."; and

Whereas, the Middle West 12<sup>th</sup> St. Block Association which represents 30 separate residences in the immediate area surrounding the applicant, has attempted for the past year to work cooperatively with the applicant, including meeting with both the principal and the manager in the past month in an effort to find common ground prior to **this meeting which the applicant and her attorney were well aware** of and to discuss a proposed list of very reasonable stipulations which at the time of meeting with the applicant, the principal had indicated that she was willing to sign, but later indicated that she would not at this time upon advice of her attorney; and,

**Whereas,** members of the Middle West 12<sup>th</sup> St. Block Association stated that as a result of applicants unwillingness to continue a dialogue, that they would not appear at the community board, and were unwilling to continue discussions of the very real problems outlined above, that they would not agree to any of the very reasonable stipulations presented; and,

Whereas, CB#2, Man. was unable to find any reason to support this renewal given the above information which has also been witnessed by members of the committee, and the fact that the applicant chose not to address these concerns directly at CB#2, Man. that the applicants attorney was present at the committee hearing representing other applicants but left before this application was discussed; and,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that CB#2, Man. strongly recommends that the SLA deny any proposed liquor license renewal to <u>The Cubby Hole, 281 W. 12th Street, NYC</u> until the applicant has presented their renewal in front of the SLA Licensing Committee as a result of the aforementioned community concerns and requests that the SLA send this applicant back to CB2, should this application proceed directly to the SLA, in order that this important step not be avoided and that the concerns of the Community be fully heard.

Please advise us of any decision or action taken in response to this resolution.

Sincerely,

Richard Stewart, Co-Chair SLA Licensing Committee Community Board #2, Manhattan Raymond Lee, Co- Chair SLA Licensing Committee Community Board #2, Manhattan

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